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FIGURE 1.

VISITS TO REPORTING AREAS 1977 - 79

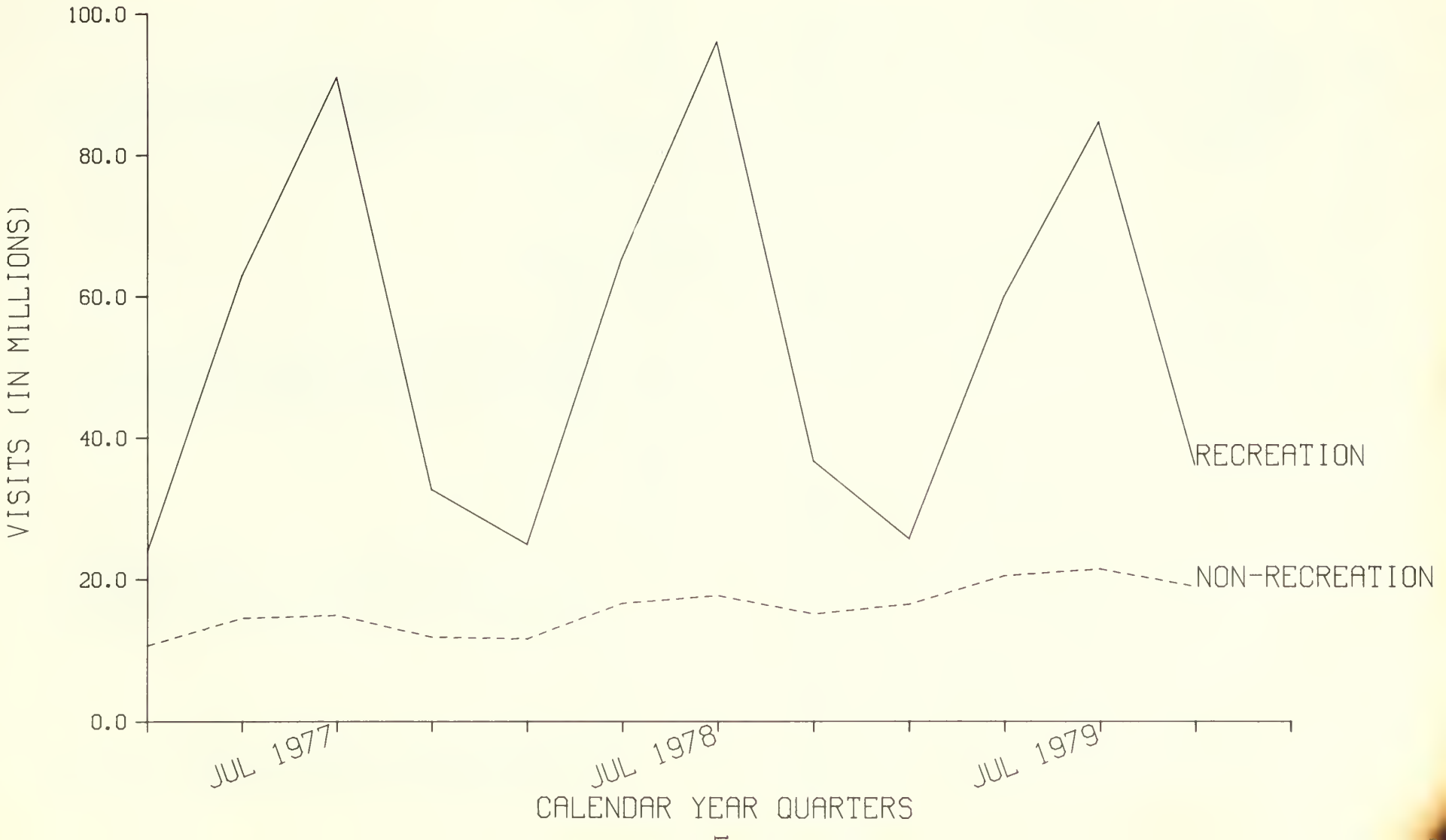


TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF VISITOR USE

	1977	1978	1979
VISITS, TOTAL	262,603,433	283,090,141	282,435,101
Recreation Visits	210,569,712	222,184,026	205,369,794
Nonrecreation Visits	52,033,721	60,906,115	77,065,306
OVERNIGHT STAYS, TOTAL	17,557,622	17,567,605	15,978,911
Recreation Overnight Stays	17,178,257	17,069,888	15,413,942
Nonrecreation Overnight Stays	379,365	497,717	564,969
VISITOR-HOURS, TOTAL	1,156,144,962	1,186,346,177	1,070,623,662
Recreation Visitor-Hours	1,123,288,857	1,151,935,372	1,027,513,317
Nonrecreation Visitor-Hours	32,856,105	34,410,805	43,110,345

TABLE 2. OVERNIGHT STAYS IN NPS-OPERATED CAMPGROUNDS (IN THOUSANDS)

YEAR	TENTS	RECREATION VEHICLES	TOTAL	AREAS REPORTING
1960	3,585.5	1,260.2	4,845.7	73
1961	3,586.7	1,473.2	5,059.9	70
1962	4,307.4	1,811.6	6,119.1	71
1963	4,621.2	2,149.5	6,770.7	73
1964	5,043.8	2,413.8	7,457.6	75
1965	5,104.4	2,980.5	8,084.8	80
1966	5,062.1	3,938.3	9,000.5	81
1967	4,715.3	4,594.3	9,309.7	90
1968	4,788.1	4,623.0	9,411.1	88
1969	4,390.1	4,659.1	9,049.2	85
1970	4,684.6	4,339.3	9,023.8	87
1971	3,482.5	4,451.7	7,934.3	86
1972	3,651.6	4,731.4	8,383.0	88
1973	3,801.8	4,883.3	8,685.1	90
1974	3,791.5	4,620.3	8,411.8	89
1975	3,735.3	5,081.7	8,817.0	89
1976	3,870.3	5,397.0	9,267.3	92
1977	3,973.2	5,345.4	9,318.6	93
1978	3,775.5	5,353.6	9,129.1	94
1979	3,420.7	4,450.4	7,871.1	92

FIGURE 2. RECREATION VISITS BY MONTH 1977 - 1979

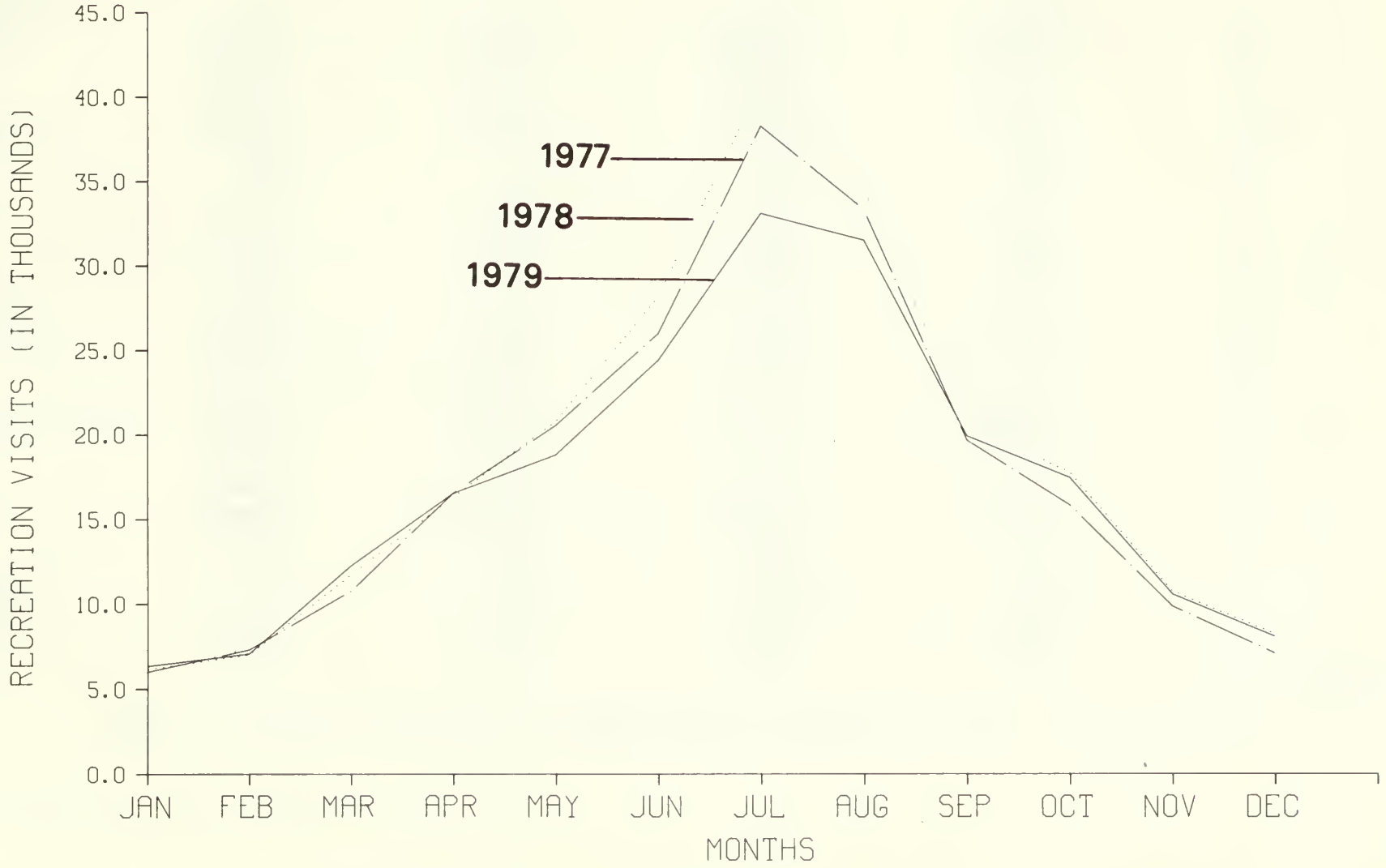


TABLE 3. RECREATION VISITS TO NATIONAL PARK AREAS BY STATE (IN THOUSANDS)

	1976	1977	1978	1979	AREAS REPORTING 1978	AREAS REPORTING 1979
Alabama	708.2	780.2	790.9	751.4	4*	4*
Alaska	302.6	364.8	398.3	422.0	4	4
Arizona	6,450.8	6,254.4	6,602.7	5,437.2	20*	20*
Arkansas	1,698.4	1,711.0	2,151.0	2,040.9	5	5
California	15,340.4	19,798.0	22,569.2	23,678.1	18	18
Colorado	5,890.1	6,138.6	6,157.1	4,905.7	11*	10*
District of Columbia	20,739.6	16,262.9	16,777.2	16,933.0	12	11
Florida	5,223.8	5,648.2	6,514.0	5,412.6	9*	9*
Georgia	2,378.9	2,467.9	2,585.0	2,472.7	7*	7*
Hawaii	2,455.0	2,537.3	2,951.8	2,737.7	4	4
Idaho	438.0	412.7	279.6	383.4	2	2
Illinois	492.1	480.4	450.2	403.2	1	1
Indiana	524.0	579.9	985.3	1,922.7	3	3
Iowa	375.2	356.5	363.5	264.1	2	2
Kansas	21.6	20.7	21.9	34.9	1	2
Kentucky	2,549.7	2,629.9	2,489.1	2,109.0	3	3
Louisiana	269.6	291.2	294.9	193.1	1	1
Maine	2,353.3	2,734.6	2,684.9	2,787.4	1	1
Maryland	7,778.8	6,256.3	7,415.1	6,121.8	12*	12*
Massachusetts	9,106.7	8,185.5	8,556.6	7,300.7	9	10
Michigan	1,038.0	1,149.4	1,063.0	1,018.6	3	3
Minnesota	468.0	468.0	579.8	572.0	4*	4*
Mississippi	8,338.2	9,298.1	9,464.5	8,809.7	5*	5*
Missouri	4,756.9	4,975.9	4,195.3	3,442.1	4	4
Montana	3,443.2	3,489.0	3,391.4	2,838.2	5*	6*

TABLE 3. RECREATION VISITS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

	1976	1977	1978	1979	AREAS REPORTING 1978	1979
Nebraska	243.0	231.0	246.0	199.5	3	3
Nevada	6,747.2	6,342.4	6,689.8	6,185.0	2	2
New Hampshire	13.6	11.5	24.2	31.8	1	1
New Jersey	3,637.3	3,558.3	3,661.3	3,783.5	4*	4*
New Mexico	2,077.4	1,973.4	1,940.5	1,765.2	11	11
New York	11,019.5	10,213.9	10,364.3	10,445.6	14*	14*
North Carolina	14,498.1	14,710.2	14,653.9	13,291.1	9*	9*
North Dakota	944.6	834.0	832.4	598.0	2	2
Ohio	178.3	196.4	688.9	728.8	4	4
Oklahoma	2,027.5	1,950.5	1,155.1	1,434.5	1	1
Oregon	895.6	941.8	936.4	725.5	4	4
Pennsylvania	7,682.0	3,922.3	7,313.6	7,026.5	8*	8*
Puerto Rico	1,034.4	1,249.8	1,374.8	1,458.8	1	1
Rhode Island	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.8	0	1
South Carolina	465.0	392.3	449.7	476.9	3	3
South Dakota	3,485.8	3,676.2	3,625.2	2,637.8	4	4
Tennessee	7,353.0	7,462.8	7,211.8	6,737.0	7*	7*
Texas	4,899.7	4,454.5	4,831.2	4,760.4	9	9
Utah	4,247.8	5,214.5	5,442.1	4,550.1	13*	13*
Virginia	28,386.0	25,987.0	26,598.6	23,330.8	16*	16*
Virgin Islands	277.8	412.3	636.9	722.9	3	3
Washington	5,643.2	5,870.0	6,121.2	5,500.6	7	8
West Virginia	824.9	706.2	629.7	437.4	1	1
Wisconsin	181.4	189.1	189.7	271.5	2*	2*
Wyoming	6,219.1	6,778.0	6,835.7	5,212.8	7*	7*

*States with one or more multistate parks.

FIGURE 3.

PERCENT OF RECREATION VISITS BY LOCATION - 1979

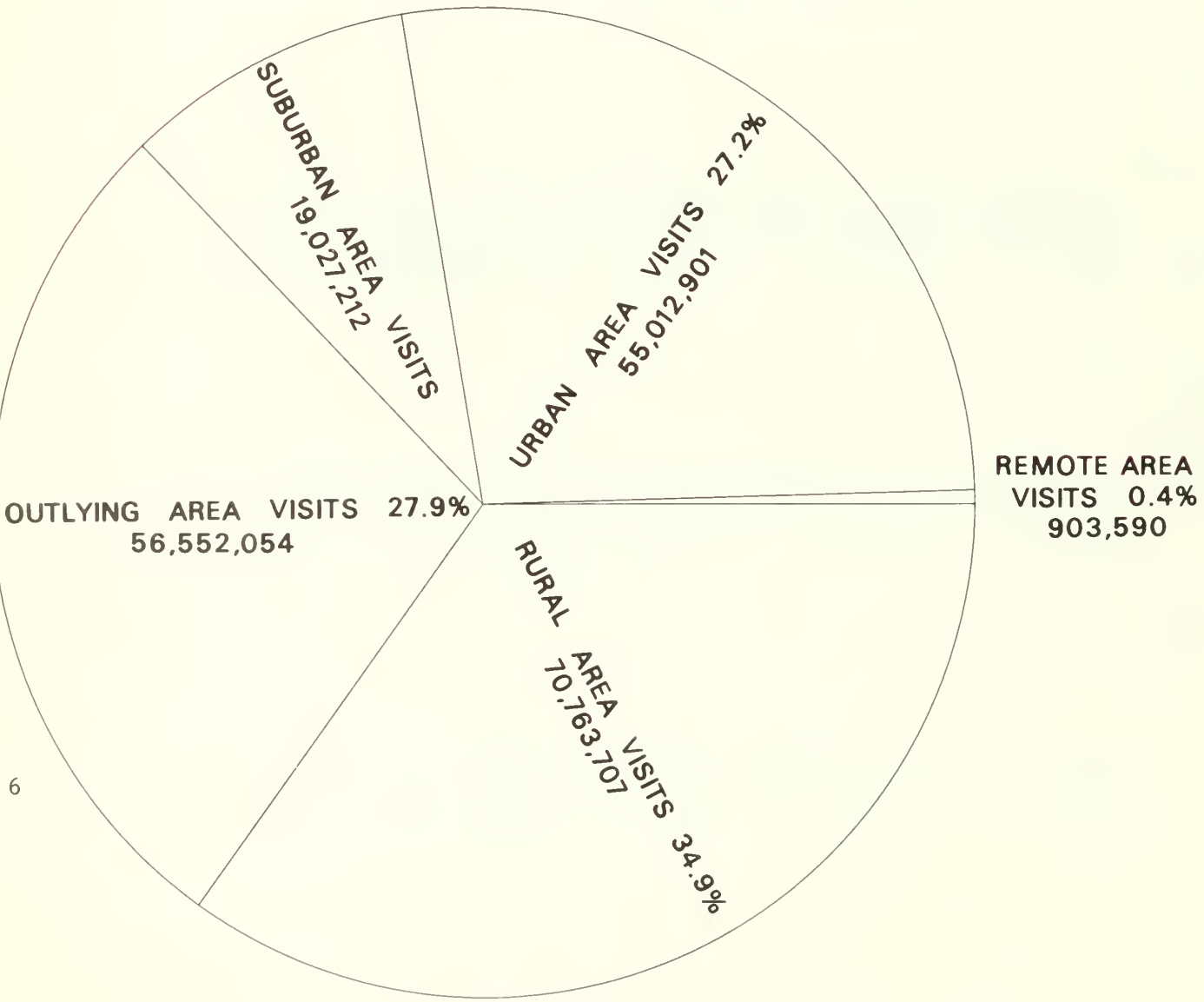

SUBURBAN AREA VISITS 19,027,212
URBAN AREA VISITS 27.2% 55,012,901
REMOTE AREA VISITS 0.4% 903,590
OUTLYING AREA VISITS 27.9% 56,552,054
RURAL AREA VISITS 34.9% 70,763,707

FIGURE 4.

PERCENT OF AREAS BY LOCATION 1979

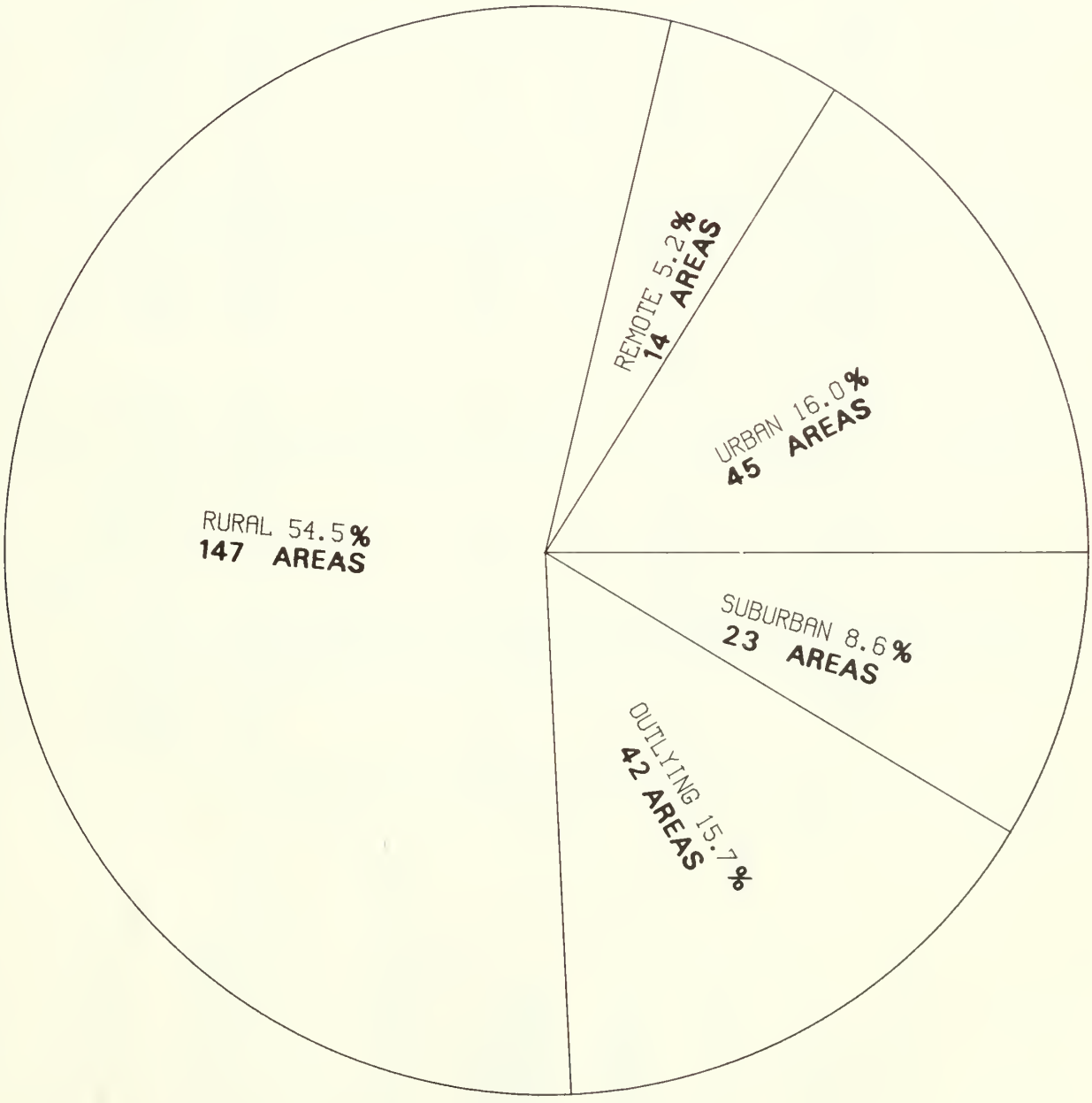


TABLE 4. VISITATION FORECAST BY LOCATION

(PERCENT CHANGE OF RECREATION VISITS)

	URBAN	SUBURBAN	OUTLYING	RURAL	REMOTE	TOTAL CHANGE
Actual: 1978-79	+1.4%	+1.0%	-7.5%	-15.1%	-7.7%	-7.6%
Forecast: 1979-80	+1.0%	+1.0%	+1.5%	+5.0%	+1.0%	+2.5%

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS ADMINISTERED BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (IN THOUSANDS)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM TOTALS		210,569.7	52,033.7	222,184.0	60,906.1	205,369.8	77,065.3
Abraham Lincoln BPL NHS	KY	396.6	0.0	355.7	0.0	271.2	0.0
Acadia NP	ME	2,734.6	466.7	2,684.9	445.2	2,787.4	395.9
Adams NHS	MA	21.9	9.1	21.4	10.2	34.3	12.2
Agate Fossil Beds NM	NE	11.1	*	10.7	*	8.1	*
Alibates Flint Quarries NM	TX	2.2	0.0	2.5	0.0	1.9	0.0
Allegheny Port RR NHS	PA	64.4	0.2	58.4	0.3	58.2	0.5
Amistad NRA	TX	979.2	14.4	1,235.1	40.1	1,261.8	28.5
Andersonville NHS	GA	229.0	0.0	194.3	0.0	151.1	0.0
Andrew Johnson NHS	TN	45.6	0.0	42.6	0.0	47.7	0.0
Antietam NB	MD	524.4	0.0	504.4	0.0	319.6	0.0
Apostle Islands NL	WI	90.0	1.2	88.1	1.2	75.6	1.0
Appomattox Court House NHP	VA	263.1	0.0	259.0	0.0	208.4	0.0
Arches NP	UT	313.4	0.0	326.9	0.0	269.8	0.0
Arkansas Post NMem	AR	58.9	0.0	61.9	0.0	61.5	0.0
Arlington Hse, R E Lee NMem	VA	514.0	0.0	513.1	0.0	459.3	0.0
Assateague Island NS	MD-VA	1,936.6	2.6	2,133.3	2.6	1,674.9	3.1
Aztec Ruins NM	NM	71.3	0.0	70.3	0.0	58.1	0.0
Badlands NM 8/	SD	1,305.4	12.0	1,234.9	12.0	858.0	12.0
Bandelier NM	NM	136.4	1.0	153.8	0.8	161.3	0.8
Bent's Old Fort NHS	CO	100.5	0.0	91.8	0.0	94.7	3.1
Big Bend NP	TX	334.0	68.4	301.2	61.7	282.9	57.7
Big Hole NB	MT	51.6	0.0	53.0	0.0	41.2	0.0
Bighorn Canyon NRA	WY-MT	348.6	32.1	277.9	30.8	297.2	30.8
Biscayne NM	FL	205.9	0.0	177.4	0.0	202.9	0.0
Black Canyon OTG NM	CO	310.5	0.0	271.9	0.0	234.3	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Blue Ridge Parkway	VA-NC	12,482.1	2,728.5	12,687.4	2,664.3	11,700.2	3,065.9
Booker T. Washington NM	VA	24.2	0.2	30.3	0.2	25.5	0.2
Boston NHP	MA	1,523.2	0.0	2,425.2	323.9	1,777.4	505.1
Brices Cross Roads NBS	MS	2.2	0.0	1.8	0.0	1.9	0.0
Bryce Canyon NP	UT	611.5	1.3	679.3	1.1	558.1	1.0
Buck Island Reef NM	VI	60.2	7.0	85.2	10.2	82.4	10.8
Buffalo NR	AR	331.5	0.0	645.3	0.0	675.8	0.0
C&O Canal NHP	MD-DC-WV	2,562.9	73.3	3,182.1	90.7	2,832.6	81.6
Cabrillo NM	CA	1,141.6	79.9	1,266.1	72.1	1,196.4	73.4
Canaveral NS	FL	845.9	0.0	882.6	0.0	859.9	0.0
Canyon De Chelly NM	AZ	361.1	477.2	351.6	467.6	328.1	395.5
Canyonlands NP	UT	75.5	0.1	85.9	0.4	74.5	0.6
Cape Cod NS	MA	5,318.4	30.4	4,996.0	29.9	3,922.0	25.4
Cape Hatteras NS	NC	1,786.5	249.6	1,799.9	243.4	1,516.9	193.7
Cape Lookout NS	NC	37.6	7.8	50.7	3.6	50.1	4.0
Capitol Reef NP	UT	428.8	39.1	392.4	35.3	288.9	28.2
Capulin Mountain NM	NM	47.9	0.0	49.6	0.0	44.3	0.0
Carl Sandburg Home NHS	NC	38.2	0.0	39.1	0.0	34.1	0.0
Carlsbad Caverns NP	NM	862.8	0.0	867.3	0.0	721.6	0.0
Casa Grande NM	AZ	123.2	2.1	135.6	2.1	112.5	2.1
Castillo De San Marcos NM	FL	689.6	13.8	759.4	15.2	650.1	13.0
Castle Clinton NM	NY	175.0	1.1	227.5	1.0	217.0	1.0
Catoctin Mountain Park	MD	472.8	113.0	538.9	113.0	431.5	109.7
Cedar Breaks NM	UT	351.1	5.0	347.7	3.8	362.2	4.0
Chaco Canyon NM	NM	42.8	1.9	42.7	1.3	48.8	3.1
Chalmette NHP 8/	LA	291.2	9.6	294.9	9.6	0.0	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Chamizal NMem	TX	120.1	1.0	118.9	1.6	111.1	1.1
Channel Islands NM	CA	87.2	18.8	46.4	9.7	82.9	20.6
Chick Chatt NMP	GA-TN	1,061.5	12,326.3	967.9	12,284.5	867.0	12,604.6
Chickasaw NRA	OK	1,950.5	2,261.3	1,155.1	2,136.0	1,434.5	2,559.6
Chiricahua NM	AZ	42.7	0.0	49.1	0.0	49.5	0.0
Christiansted NHS	VI	63.0	0.0	70.0	0.0	90.8	0.0
Clara Barton NHS	MD	4.3	0.0	4.3	0.0	7.5	0.0
Colonial NHP	VA	7,393.5	3,168.7	7,570.5	3,233.7	7,172.1	3,073.8
Colorado NM	CO	553.2	212.4	561.4	193.8	290.6	475.2
Coronado NMem	AZ	61.9	1.7	60.2	1.9	59.8	1.8
Coulee Dam NRA	WA	676.8	3.2	712.5	4.0	794.7	4.3
Cowpens NB	SC	25.3	0.0	28.0	0.0	78.4	0.0
Crater Lake NP	OR	558.3	59.2	553.4	26.7	410.7	35.6
Craters of the Moon NM	ID	258.4	0.0	152.4	0.0	220.7	0.0
Cumberland Gap NHP	KY-TN-VA	427.0	1.8	492.7	1.4	452.9	1.2
Cumberland Island NS	GA	25.2	0.0	36.4	0.0	35.8	0.0
Curecanti NRA	CO	865.9	0.0	729.3	0.0	809.0	0.0
Custer Battlefield NM	MT	328.8	1.8	270.3	2.7	203.8	2.1
Cuyahoga Valley NRA 1/	OH	0.0	0.0	496.4	0.0	543.0	0.0
DeSoto NMem	FL	157.3	0.0	142.2	0.0	179.7	0.0
Death Valley NM	CA-NV	620.4	25.9	673.6	28.1	631.2	26.3
Delaware Water Gap NRA	PA-NJ	1,518.2	0.0	1,697.7	1.9	2,002.5	0.0
Devils Postpile NM	CA	108.9	0.0	98.0	0.0	81.3	0.0
Devils Tower NM	WY	153.9	2.4	271.2	1.5	226.1	1.5
Dinosaur NM	UT-CO	399.7	13.1	415.5	14.7	295.8	16.0
Edison NHS	NJ	52.4	0.0	49.7	0.0	53.0	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Effigy Mounds NM	IA	65.3	*	67.6	0.0	59.1	0.0
El Morro NM	NM	30.3	2.9	33.3	2.6	29.6	2.5
Everglades NP	FL	948.0	119.8	923.7	212.4	718.1	120.5
Federal Hall NMem	NY	90.9	2.9	97.4	2.8	83.7	2.9
Fire Island NS	NY	453.1	180.0	486.4	150.7	465.3	205.4
Florissant Fossil Beds NM	CO	63.3	0.4	63.3	0.2	46.9	0.0
Ford's Theatre NHS	DC	561.8	0.3	597.6	0.3	518.3	0.3
Fort Bowie NHS	AZ	5.8	*	5.2	*	5.8	0.1
Fort Caroline NMem	FL	139.8	0.0	168.0	0.0	169.2	0.0
Fort Clatsop NMem	OR	96.3	0.0	88.7	0.0	93.5	0.0
Fort Davis NHS	TX	69.6	0.4	68.2	0.1	72.5	0.3
Fort Donelson NMP	TN	386.1	740.0	342.0	668.0	317.4	755.5
Fort Frederica NM	GA	318.7	0.5	335.4	0.5	392.4	0.5
Fort Jefferson NM	FL	11.6	9.8	10.4	8.4	9.1	10.6
Fort Laramie NHS	WY	115.9	0.4	112.4	0.4	106.6	0.4
Fort Larned NHS	KS	20.7	0.0	21.9	0.0	22.9	0.0
Fort Matanzas NM	FL	330.3	0.0	293.5	0.0	251.5	0.0
Fort McHenry NM & HS	MD	430.9	0.7	527.1	0.7	543.5	0.7
Fort Necessity NB	PA	150.9	1.0	158.9	0.1	108.1	0.1
Fort Point NHS	CA	828.1	0.0	806.0	0.0	872.2	0.0
Fort Pulaski NM	GA	267.1	4.8	344.1	4.8	276.6	7.1
Fort Raleigh NHS	NC	375.7	0.2	345.6	3.6	305.2	3.6
Fort Scott NHS 1/	KS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.0	0.6
Fort Smith NHS	AR	98.2	0.0	104.5	0.0	90.6	0.0
Fort Stanwix NM	NY	102.0	0.0	87.0	0.0	68.3	0.0
Fort Sumter NM	SC	202.3	0.0	204.9	0.0	185.6	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Fort Union NM	NM	13.9	0.0	13.8	0.0	10.4	0.0
Fort Union Trad Post NHS	ND-MT	5.6	0.4	6.5	0.3	6.4	0.1
Fort Vancouver NHS	WA	216.1	32.3	168.1	55.9	156.7	46.9
Fort Washington Park 3/	MD	717.7	0.0	739.3	0.0	496.9	0.0
Fossil Butte NM	WY	12.0	0.3	14.4	0.2	13.7	0.4
Fred Spot NMP	VA	1,163.2	52.7	1,109.0	99.8	1,010.7	99.8
Frederick Douglass Home 3/	DC	24.1	0.0	20.8	0.0	34.1	0.0
Gateway NRA	NY-NJ	8,716.1	505.4	8,636.0	381.5	8,773.1	322.5
General Grant NMem	NY	73.7	0.2	46.5	0.2	35.1	0.2
Geo Washington BPL NM	VA	129.2	7.2	133.6	3.7	122.6	4.2
Geo Washington Carver NM	MO	44.0	0.0	45.5	0.0	49.1	0.0
Geo Washington Mem Pkwy	VA-MD	5,100.4	0.0	5,855.9	0.0	4,678.0	0.0
George Rogers Clark NHP	IN	69.1	0.3	67.3	0.2	78.7	0.2
Gettysburg NMP	PA	1,527.9	74.4	1,491.6	74.4	994.0	74.4
Gila Cliff Dwellings NM	NM	46.2	0.0	40.2	0.0	31.9	0.0
Glacier Bay NM	AK	88.4	32.1	81.5	28.0	91.0	31.6
Glacier NP	MT	1,654.5	1.7	1,582.6	0.4	1,446.1	0.2
Glen Canyon NRA	AZ-UT	2,066.0	61.4	2,136.4	75.4	1,656.0	77.3
Golden Gate NRA	CA	6,300.2	0.0	8,960.9	0.0	11,321.1	0.0
Golden Spike NHS	UT	49.4	28.3	49.4	28.8	46.7	26.6
Gran Quivira NM	NM	40.6	0.0	31.3	0.0	26.7	0.0
Grand Canyon NP	AZ	2,627.2	221.4	2,748.6	237.5	2,131.7	178.6
Grand Portage NM	MN	40.1	0.0	42.2	0.0	36.9	0.0
Grand Teton NP	WY	3,258.0	715.7	3,160.0	999.5	2,446.2	1,020.2
Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS 1/	MT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.3	0.0
Great Sand Dunes NM	CO	227.9	0.7	277.6	0.4	162.5	0.2

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Great Smoky Mountains	NC-TN	9,173.6	2,448.0	8,695.5	2,859.8	8,019.8	3,167.2
Greenbelt Park	MD	160.0	766.6	495.0	108.3	250.6	14.2
Guadalupe Mountains NP	TX	92.2	0.0	108.8	0.0	110.5	0.0
Guilford Courthouse NMP	NC	105.7	415.7	188.3	611.9	161.5	653.0
Gulf Islands NS	FL-MS	2,900.0	25.6	3,946.0	25.6	2,965.0	17.3
Haleakala NP	HI	626.5	24.6	712.8	27.0	674.0	12.5
Hamilton Grange NMem	NY	5.5	0.2	4.9	0.2	0.4	*
Hampton NHS	MD	48.9	0.5	39.8	0.5	33.3	0.4
Harpers Ferry NHP	WV-MD	706.2	212.5	629.7	187.1	437.4	127.6
Hawaii Volcanoes NP	HI	1,446.2	370.7	1,728.3	593.7	1,632.6	633.8
Herbert Hoover NHS	IA	291.2	18.0	295.9	18.3	205.0	18.0
Home of F D Roosevelt NHS	NY	311.3	0.0	360.6	0.0	266.8	0.0
Homestead NM of America	NE	15.9	0.0	17.8	0.0	18.1	0.0
Hopewell Village NHS	PA	156.8	1.4	144.3	1.8	133.5	1.3
Horseshoe Bend NMP	AL	62.7	481.6	65.4	437.0	50.6	359.1
Hot Springs NP	AR	1,127.0	4,025.1	1,229.2	4,192.1	1,118.8	4,030.1
Hovenweep NM	UT-CO	16.4	1.8	17.5	0.4	14.8	0.2
Hubbell Trading Post NHS	AZ	38.4	33.0	35.1	32.0	36.3	37.1
Independence NHP	PA	1,520.4	1,931.3	1,785.6	2,154.9	2,002.3	2,120.5
Indiana Dunes NL 5/	IN	264.1	306.0	677.5	353.8	1,606.2	410.6
Isle Royale NP	MI	16.7	0.0	16.4	0.0	14.8	*
Jean Lafitte NHP & Preserve 8/	LA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	193.1	9.6
Jefferson Memorial	DC	1,696.2	0.0	2,263.5	0.0	2,328.1	0.0
Jefferson NEM NHS	MO	3,490.6	120.2	2,654.8	100.3	1,859.4	39.0
Jewel Cave NM	SD	105.0	0.2	101.1	0.6	76.9	0.4
JFK Ctr for the Perf Arts	DC	4,833.9	0.0	3,948.5	0.0	4,130.6	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., Pkwy	WY	1,861.7	0.0	1,866.9	0.0	1,356.0	0.0
John Day Fossil Beds NM 4/	OR	106.3	0.0	122.0	0.0	90.5	0.0
John F. Kennedy NHS	MA	23.8	0.0	21.3	0.0	19.3	0.0
John Muir NHS	CA	29.8	0.7	26.1	0.6	24.9	1.4
Johnstown Flood NMem	PA	61.6	0.2	42.9	0.3	42.2	0.3
Joshua Tree NM	CA	745.6	2.9	602.5	2.7	590.5	2.4
Katmai NM	AK	10.0	0.1	11.3	0.1	10.7	*
Kennesaw Mountain NBP	GA	734.9	5,748.0	862.5	5,748.0	876.4	5,748.0
Kings Canyon NP	CA	1,041.0	5.6	864.7	5.1	804.2	5.1
Kings Mountain NMP	SC	164.7	164.7	216.8	216.8	212.9	212.9
Klondike Gold Rush NHP 1/	AK-WA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.6	0.0
Lake Mead NRA	AZ-NV	6,301.3	228.5	6,649.6	230.3	6,155.1	223.2
Lake Meredith NRA	TX	1,630.8	0.0	1,782.3	0.0	1,849.4	0.0
Lassen Volcanic NP	CA	381.2	0.0	442.2	0.0	380.0	0.0
Lava Beds NM	CA	102.3	42.6	110.1	45.9	96.6	40.2
Lehman Caves NM	NV	41.1	0.6	40.3	0.6	29.9	0.6
Lincoln Boyhood NMem	IN	246.7	0.9	240.5	0.4	237.8	7.6
Lincoln Home NHS	IL	480.4	0.0	450.2	0.0	403.2	0.0
Lincoln Memorial	DC	2,350.9	0.0	2,424.5	0.0	3,352.3	0.0
Longfellow NHS	MA	14.0	0.0	16.5	0.0	17.7	0.0
Lowell NHP 1/	MA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92.8	0.0
Lyndon B. Johnson NHS	TX	390.1	0.0	353.5	0.0	295.3	0.0
Mammoth Cave NP	KY	1,806.3	173.1	1,640.7	173.1	1,384.9	173.1
Manassas NBP	VA	760.8	0.0	1,033.8	0.0	778.4	0.0
Mesa Verde NP	CO	663.7	1.2	653.1	1.1	473.7	0.8
Minute Man NHP	MA	989.1	0.0	724.9	0.0	957.0	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Montezuma Castle NM	AZ	495.2	1.4	458.0	1.4	382.1	1.4
Moores Creek NMP	NC	56.2	0.0	57.0	0.0	44.3	0.0
Morristown NHP	NJ	684.8	0.0	679.1	0.0	554.1	0.0
Mound City Group NM	OH	84.1	0.2	70.5	0.3	51.5	0.4
Mount McKinley NP	AK	183.2	324.4	223.0	237.7	251.1	287.3
Mount Rainier NP	WA	1,819.6	617.7	1,607.0	487.4	1,516.7	464.8
Mount Rushmore NMem	SD	1,733.1	538.7	1,750.1	546.5	1,245.4	397.3
Muir Woods NM	CA	1,003.6	6.0	1,211.5	6.0	1,227.2	6.0
Natchez Trace Pkwy	MS-TN-AL	9,770.8	4,885.4	9,730.1	4,865.1	9,475.3	4,737.7
National Capital Parks	DC-MD	2,869.6	0.0	3,336.0	0.0	2,811.0	0.0
National Visitor Center	DC	942.0	0.0	794.2	0.0	281.9	0.0
Natural Bridges NM	UT	74.9	0.3	69.7	0.2	78.6	1.8
Navajo NM	AZ	50.4	28.7	43.1	38.9	41.3	49.8
Nez Perce NHP	ID	154.2	17.1	127.2	13.9	162.7	17.5
North Cascades NP 2/	WA	682.3	7.4	917.6	13.9	743.0	22.2
Ocmulgee NM	GA	86.4	0.0	76.8	0.0	81.6	0.0
Olympic NP	WA	2,293.9	365.0	2,534.7	461.9	2,078.8	510.6
Oregon Caves NM	OR	180.9	1.0	172.3	0.8	130.7	0.6
Organ Pipe Cactus NM	AZ	137.6	2.3	147.9	2.4	131.6	2.4
Ozark NSR	MO	1,398.4	386.9	1,422.4	470.2	1,453.0	454.6
Padre Island NS	TX	836.3	6.0	860.7	6.3	774.9	8.6
Pea Ridge NMP	AR	95.4	0.0	110.0	0.0	94.2	0.0
Pecos NM	NM	58.9	0.0	58.0	0.0	51.5	0.0
Perry's Victory & IPM	OH	108.7	0.0	118.5	4.2	129.8	0.0
Petersburg NB	VA	611.4	0.0	665.9	0.0	577.3	0.0
Petrified Forest NP	AZ	857.3	8.2	951.4	6.4	671.6	3.6

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Pictured Rocks NL	MI	294.7	2.5	287.4	2.5	270.4	2.0
Pinnacles NM	CA	160.5	0.0	155.8	0.0	153.7	0.0
Pipe Spring NM	AZ	26.7	0.1	28.0	0.1	24.9	0.1
Pipestone NM	MN	188.5	0.0	180.6	0.0	144.0	0.0
Piscataway Park 3/	MD	171.2	0.0	137.5	0.0	138.0	0.0
Point Reyes NS	CA	1,785.2	25.8	1,920.0	25.8	1,489.1	25.8
Prince William Forest Park	VA	510.7	0.5	521.0	0.5	499.2	0.5
Pu'uhonua o Honaunau NHP	HI	446.6	0.0	492.0	0.0	409.4	0.0
Puukohola Heiau NHS 6/	HI	18.0	0.0	18.8	0.0	21.7	0.0
Rainbow Bridge NM	UT	87.3	0.0	95.5	0.0	97.1	0.0
Redwood NP	CA	477.9	32.8	448.0	65.4	413.9	66.4
Richmond NBP	VA	329.1	70.2	286.1	71.0	265.8	66.1
Rock Creek Park 3/ 4/	DC	721.3	0.0	862.9	0.0	1,156.6	14,846.1
Rocky Mountain NP	CO	2,882.1	12.9	3,024.9	13.0	2,568.5	11.5
Roger Williams NMem 1/	RI	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.8	0.2
Russell Cave NM	AL	21.6	0.5	19.6	0.6	18.5	0.7
Sagamore Hill NHS	NY	224.1	0.0	187.3	0.0	167.5	0.0
Saguaro NM	AZ	422.5	0.0	549.1	0.0	566.5	0.0
Saint Croix NSR	MN-WI	198.2	12.0	203.1	11.9	391.7	22.8
Saint-Gaudens NHS	NH	11.5	0.0	24.2	0.0	31.8	0.0
Salem Maritime NHS	MA	252.6	0.0	300.2	0.0	431.8	22.7
San Juan Island NHP	WA	61.7	0.0	76.4	0.0	92.5	0.0
San Juan NHS	PR	1,249.8	0.0	1,374.5	0.0	1,458.8	0.0
Saratoga NHP	NY	102.6	154.4	131.1	146.8	97.2	132.7
Saugus Iron Works NHS	MA	42.6	3.6	37.4	5.9	32.8	21.4
Scotts Bluff NM	NE	204.0	0.0	217.5	0.0	173.3	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Sequoia NP	CA	978.2	0.4	973.1	0.4	799.6	0.4
Shadow Mountain NRA 7/	CO	168.5	0.0	168.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Shenandoah NP 4/	VA	2,789.1	265.9	2,002.2	89.3	1,521.5	104.3
Shiloh NHP	TN	230.6	235.5	332.1	262.7	318.9	253.6
Sitka NHP	AK	83.2	3.9	82.4	3.9	69.2	2.9
Sleeping Bear Dunes NL	MI	838.0	0.0	759.1	0.0	733.5	0.0
Springfield Armory NHS	MA	0.0	0.0	13.8	0.0	15.6	0.0
Statue of Liberty NM	NY-NJ	1,394.1	0.0	1,507.9	0.0	1,661.4	0.0
Stones River NB	TN	138.3	1.0	128.4	1.0	122.0	1.0
Sunset Crater NM	AZ	323.8	10.2	330.0	10.3	308.7	10.2
Theo Roosevelt BPL NHS	NY	11.7	0.9	12.7	1.1	13.2	0.9
Theo Roosevelt Inaugural NHS	NY	16.6	1.8	17.0	3.5	15.9	4.1
Theo Roosevelt Island	DC	105.1	0.0	75.9	0.0	72.5	0.0
Theo Roosevelt NP 8/	ND	828.4	3.1	826.0	7.3	591.6	7.5
Timpanogos Cave NM	UT	102.9	0.0	118.6	0.0	125.1	0.0
Tonto NM	AZ	69.4	0.0	71.1	0.0	69.8	0.0
Tumacacori NM	AZ	74.0	0.0	76.6	0.0	59.0	0.0
Tupelo NB	MS	0.7	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0
Tuskegee Institute NHS	AL	11.9	0.0	24.8	0.0	18.9	0.0
Tuzigoot NM	AZ	81.5	5.2	77.5	3.5	68.7	3.0
Valley Forge NHP 1/	PA	0.0	0.0	3,139.7	8,116.3	3,107.4	826.9
Vanderbilt Mansion NHS	NY	280.4	0.0	289.0	0.0	335.3	0.0
Vicksburg NMP	MS	898.6	164.7	888.8	135.7	634.0	337.3
Virgin Islands NP	VI	289.1	165.6	481.7	162.1	549.7	185.2
Voyageurs NP	MN	140.3	0.0	255.4	4.6	195.3	6.1
Walnut Canyon NM	AZ	75.2	0.2	78.9	0.1	69.7	0.9

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

		1977		1978		1979	
		RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Washington Monument	DC	1,230.9	0.0	1,451.3	0.0	1,304.8	0.0
Whiskeytown NRA	CA	1,613.8	2.8	1,395.0	9.4	1,162.4	9.1
White House	DC	1,304.3	0.0	1,333.2	0.0	1,313.0	0.0
White Sands NM	NM	622.3	4.6	580.2	10.6	580.8	5.1
Whitman Mission NHS	WA	119.5	1.1	105.0	1.6	118.1	1.8
William Howard Taft NHS	OH	3.5	0.8	3.5	1.0	4.4	0.8
Wilson's Creek NB	MO	42.9	0.0	72.6	0.0	80.6	0.0
Wind Cave NP	SD	532.7	518.9	539.1	539.7	457.4	494.4
Wolf Trap Farm Park	VA	499.2	0.0	568.0	0.0	589.0	0.0
Wright Brothers NMem	NC	535.0	0.1	481.1	2.4	396.3	2.2
Wupatki NM	AZ	215.2	6.5	234.7	5.5	186.9	4.6
Yellowstone NP	WY-MT-ID	2,481.9	5.2	2,618.4	4.8	1,892.9	2.3
Yosemite NP	CA	2,392.6	143.2	2,569.3	99.9	2,350.8	90.6
Zion NP	UT	1,105.9	103.7	1,193.2	114.7	1,040.5	105.0

* Less than 50.

FIGURE 5.

VISITS TO SELECTED PARKS 1979

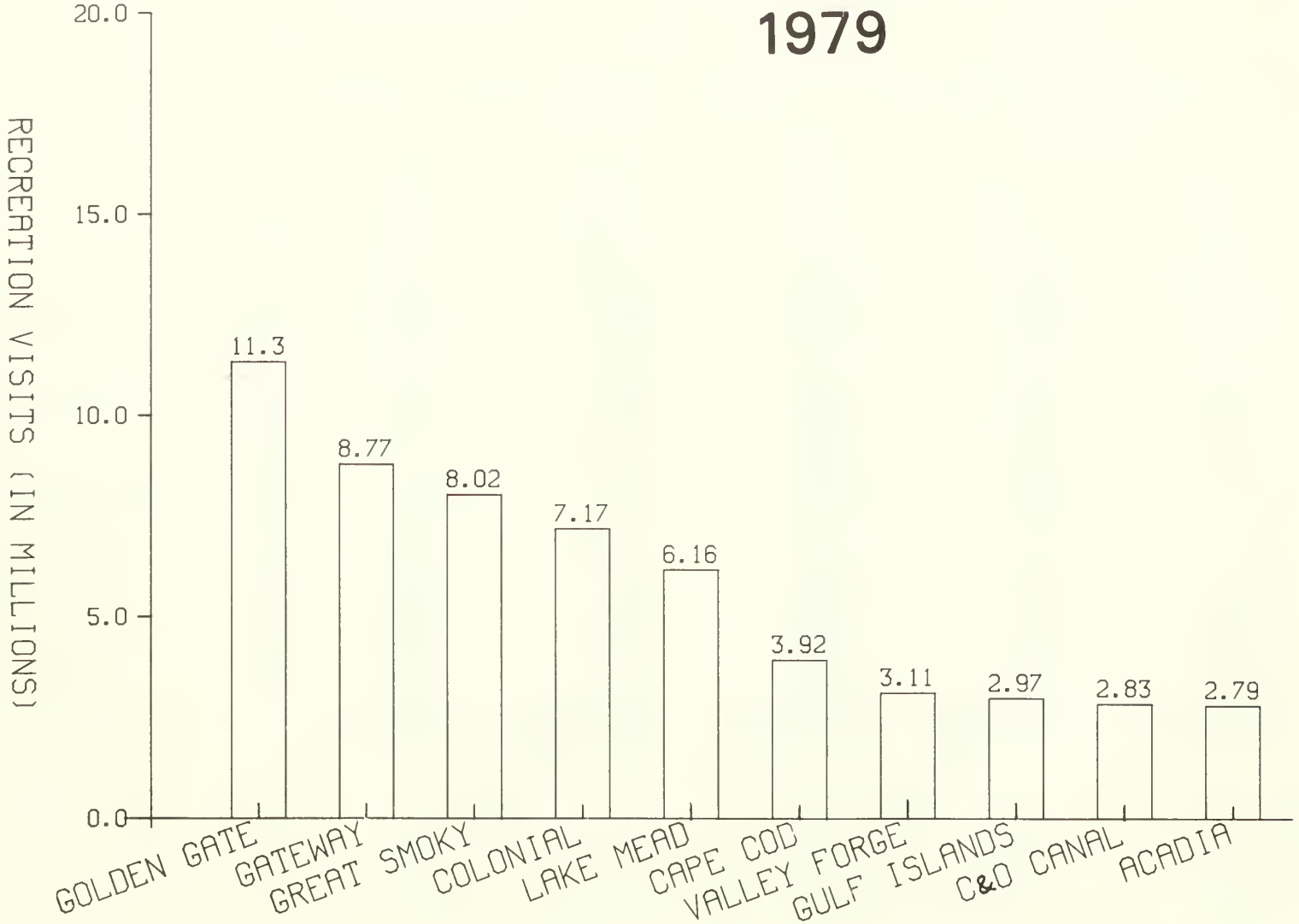


TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		NON-RECREATIO
			TENTS	RV'S				
Acadia NP	0	0	139,708	74,279	0	0	213,987	
Allegheny Portage RR NHS	0	0	33	0	0	0	33	
Amistad NRA	0	0	23,968	50,588	17,757	0	92,313	
Antietam NB	0	0	0	0	0	1,649	1,649	
Apostle Islands NL	0	0	3,312	0	1,093	9,207	13,612	
Appomattox Court House NHP	0	0	0	0	0	122	122	
Arches NP	0	0	18,772	17,605	2,332	3,759	42,468	
Assateague Islands NS	0	0	24,421	16,959	11,506	14,326	67,212	
Badlands NP 8/	3,595	0	3,786	3,496	856	0	11,733	
Bandelier NM	0	0	11,121	6,791	3,938	0	21,850	
Big Bend NP	24,440	14,589	38,013	44,730	33,927	43,349	199,047	
Bighorn Canyon NRA	0	0	2,715	13,932	528	1,492	18,667	
Biscayne NM	0	0	2,232	0	0	53,844	56,076	
Black Canyon OTG NM	0	0	11,925	11,652	1,404	0	24,981	
Blue Ridge Parkway	64,138	0	71,698	112,759	1,531	4,485	254,611	
Bryce Canyon NP	26,145	0	47,916	48,403	871	8,794	132,129	
Buck Island Reef NM	0	0	0	0	0	3,046	3,046	
Buffalo NR	7,343	0	24,885	30,564	6,595	31,828	101,215	
Canyon De Chelly NM	17,855	0	13,855	21,281	131	3,285	56,407	1
Canyonlands NP	0	0	7,223	5,213	39,819	2,374	54,629	
Cape Cod NS	8,811	0	0	0	0	27,731	36,542	
Cape Hatteras NS	0	0	145,399	119,103	0	21,004	285,506	4,8
Cape Lookout NS	10,807	0	0	0	3,103	7,411	21,321	2,5
Capitol Reef NP	0	0	10,976	16,501	2,063	2,023	31,563	
Carlsbad Caverns NP	0	0	0	0	1,570	0	1,570	

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS (CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		NON-RECREATI
			TENTS	RV'S				
Catoctin Mountain Park	0	0	6,925	4,593	190	42,575	54,283	
Cedar Breaks NM	0	0	447	885	0	0	1,332	
Chaco Canyon NM	0	0	6,095	3,328	0	1,735	11,158	
Channel Islands NM	0	0	1,938	0	0	8,293	10,231	7,5
C & O Canal NHP	0	0	12,199	3,011	47,263	0	62,473	
Chick Chatt NMP	0	0	0	0	0	1,865	1,865	
Chickasaw NRA	0	0	38,556	37,318	0	25,947	101,821	
Chiricahua NM	0	0	3,667	8,616	0	375	12,658	
Colorado NM	0	0	9,271	10,495	89	0	19,855	2
Coulee Dam NRA	0	0	29,204	88,645	0	22,382	140,231	
Crater Lake NP	18,097	0	8,320	34,677	2,692	0	63,786	
Craters of the Moon NM	0	0	3,909	9,177	252	361	13,699	
Cumberland Gap NHP	0	0	4,604	6,008	2,322	2,300	15,234	
Cumberland Island NS	0	0	10,061	0	0	7,165	17,226	
Curecanti NRA	0	0	10,570	87,037	356	0	97,963	
Death Valley NM	25,906	4,431	63,050	231,902	636	6,263	332,188	
Delaware Water Gap NRA	472	0	0	0	39,815	28,810	69,097	
Devils Postpile NM	0	0	980	654	1,426	0	3,060	
Devils Tower NM	0	0	10,107	9,256	0	0	19,363	
Dinosaur NM	0	0	15,250	17,416	25,411	997	59,074	
El Morro NM	0	0	965	1,208	0	153	2,326	
Everglades NP	43,141	0	28,775	72,065	17,909	3,978	165,868	
Fire Island NS	0	0	12,654	0	0	50,691	63,345	
Fort Donelson NMP	0	0	0	0	0	52	52	
Fort Jefferson NM	0	0	2,108	0	0	11,181	13,289	10,9

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS (CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		NON-RECREATI
			TENTS	RV'S				
Fort Necessity NB	0	0	0	0	0	303	303	
Fort Point NHS	0	0	0	0	0	1,018	1,018	
Fort Washington Park 3/	0	0	0	0	0	287	287	
Gateway NRA	0	0	0	0	0	12,840	12,840	
Gettysburg NMP	0	0	0	0	0	5,829	5,829	
Glacier Bay NM	11,737	0	1,399	0	3,028	13,050	29,214	13,13
Glacier NP	93,386	0	92,000	134,647	25,439	0	345,472	
Glen Canyon NRA	110,109	58,004	45,325	289,069	725,302	8,754	1,236,563	13,73
Golden Gate NRA	0	0	0	0	0	5,177	5,177	
Gran Quivira NM	0	0	0	0	0	95	95	
Grand Canyon NP	439,933	34,883	111,022	35,752	120,472	0	742,062	22,08
Grand Portage NM	0	0	0	0	386	0	386	1
Grand Teton NP	184,331	55,227	122,465	117,590	24,558	28,110	532,281	
Great Sand Dunes NM	0	0	17,194	14,915	387	4,924	37,420	
Great Smoky Mountains NP	7,532	0	213,565	215,495	80,970	28,485	546,047	
Greenbelt Park	0	0	15,342	34,074	0	1,456	50,872	
Guadelupe Mountains NP	0	0	8,435	8,366	3,090	0	19,891	
Guilford Courthouse NMP	0	0	0	0	0	77	77	
Gulf Islands NS	0	0	37,563	90,103	0	12,542	140,208	
Haleakala NP	0	0	9,755	3,251	5,163	3,863	22,032	
Hawaii Volcanoes NP	31,909	0	4,282	1,618	7,010	35,938	80,757	
Hot Springs NP	0	0	1,606	7,431	0	0	9,037	
Hovenweep NM	0	0	1,191	2,086	0	0	3,277	5
Indiana Dunes NL 5/	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	410,62
Isle Royale NP	9,657	333	27,140	0	21,144	5,736	64,010	63

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS (CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		NON-RECREATI
			TENTS	RV'S				
J. D. Rockefeller Jr PKWY	21,259	34,850	2,938	3,623	300	5,618	68,588	
John Day Fossil Beds NM 4/	0	0	107	787	0	0	894	
John Muir NHS	0	0	0	0	0	425	425	
Joshua Tree NM	0	0	51,000	76,812	1,623	35,068	164,503	
Katmai NM	3,377	0	2,746	0	1,703	303	8,129	13
Kennesaw Mountain NBP	0	0	0	0	0	4,149	4,149	
Kings Canyon NP	20,301	0	85,137	83,371	98,697	0	287,506	
Lake Mead NRA	72,154	452,176	114,512	356,516	372,770	75,398	1,443,526	
Lake Meredith NRA	0	0	0	0	438	105,445	105,883	
Lassen Volcanic NP	3,495	0	39,225	32,202	11,462	4,755	91,139	
Lava Beds NM	0	0	5,025	3,048	38	0	8,111	
Mammoth Cave NP	36,618	0	28,032	19,900	2,491	2,042	89.083	
Mesa Verde NP	30,441	0	59,280	58,440	0	6,817	154,978	
Mound City Group NM	0	0	0	0	0	51	51	
Mount McKinley NP	33,054	0	38,663	41,442	29,531	3,345	146,035	
Mount Rainier NP	23,815	0	28,113	37,887	36,931	861	127,607	
Natchez Trace Parkway	0	0	4,164	10,253	0	0	14,417	
Natural Bridges NM	0	0	3,075	4,525	0	488	8,088	48
Navajo NM	0	0	5,008	5,047	531	0	10,586	5
North Cascades NP 2/	14,397	348	23,775	46,950	33,510	4,186	123,166	3,04
Olympic NP	49,272	10,000	118,208	149,675	72,376	1,916	401,447	
Oregon Caves NM	3,220	0	0	0	0	0	3,220	3
Organ Pipe Cactus NM	0	0	3,952	52,687	1,998	1,793	60,430	
Ozark NSR	4,098	0	105,980	70,832	50,809	23,103	254,822	
Padre Island NS	0	0	9,142	20,649	1,380	50,513	81,684	16

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS (CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		NON-RECREATIO
			TENTS	RV'S				
Petrified Forest NP	0	0	0	0	602	0	602	10
Pictured Rocks NL	0	0	8,096	5,187	8,854	538	22,675	
Pinnacles NM	0	0	5,970	2,369	0	67	8,406	
Point Reyes NS	0	0	0	0	27,602	4,367	31,969	
Prince William Forest Park	0	23,953	18,194	3,951	746	41,143	87,987	
Pu'uhonua o Honaunau NHP 6/	0	0	0	0	0	419	419	
Redwood NP	0	0	1,501	0	1,894	5,262	8,657	
Rocky Mountain NP	0	0	138,381	170,300	56,560	11,236	376,477	
Saguaro NM	0	0	0	0	3,622	0	3,622	
Saint Croix NSR	0	0	0	0	7,606	0	7,606	61,30
Sequoia NP	85,622	0	118,332	92,107	75,002	0	371,063	
Shenandoah NP 4/	111,258	0	140,955	107,016	62,831	12,727	434,787	
Shiloh NMP	0	0	0	0	0	11,101	11,101	
Sleeping Bear Dunes NL	0	0	22,713	23,412	6,803	3,006	55,934	
Stones River NB	0	0	0	0	0	77	77	
Sunset Crater NM	0	0	1,334	4,749	0	0	6,083	
Theodore Roosevelt NP 8/	0	0	15,924	15,422	624	0	31,970	
Vanderbilt Mansion NHS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Virgin Islands NP	29,130	47,095	0	0	1,224	58,895	136,344	7,04
Voyageurs NP	10,356	133	24,686	0	11,576	21,227	67,978	6,12
Whiskeytown NRA	0	0	32,718	40,531	1,860	14,771	89,880	
White Sands NM	0	0	0	0	621	0	621	
Wind Cave NP	0	0	6,814	4,750	0	0	11,564	
Wupatki NM	0	0	0	0	142	0	142	
Yellowstone NP	537,607	102,910	219,297	358,266	46,142	10,199	1,274,421	

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS (CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		NON-RECREATIO
			TENTS	RV'S				
Yosemite NP	881,342	0	282,075	273,374	72,901	0	1,509,692	
Zion NP	41,562	0	69,712	95,746	8,964	10,492	226,476	
TOTALS	3,151,721	838,932	3,424,681	4,446,370	2,397,098	1,155,140	15,413,942	564,96

FIGURE 6.

TREND OF OVERNIGHT STAYS BY TYPE 1961 - 79

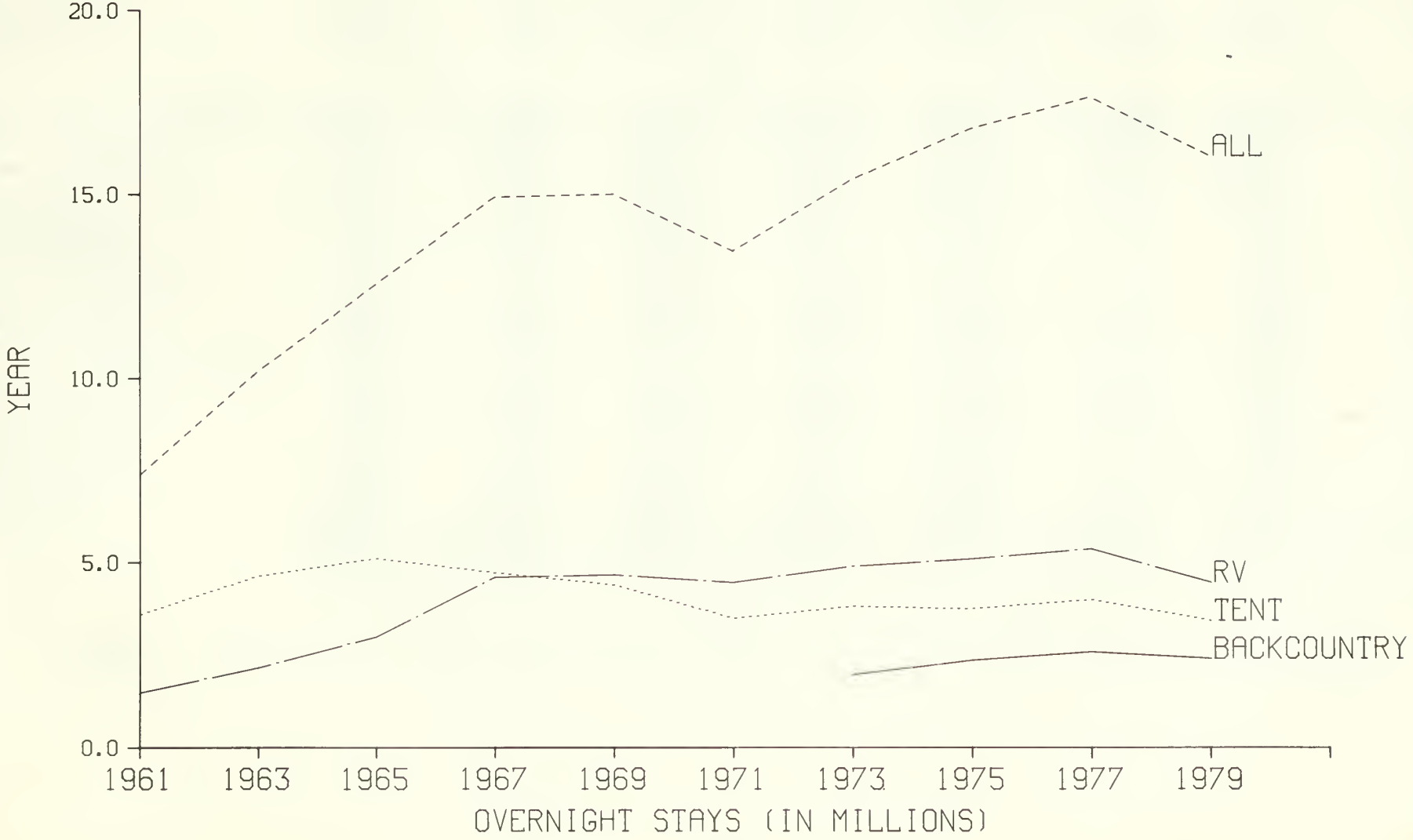


TABLE 7. RECREATION VISITS AND OVERNIGHT STAYS IN THE 39 NATIONAL PARKS (IN THOUSANDS)

	1976		1977		1978		1979	
	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS
Acadia NP	2,353.3	236.3	2,734.6	239.7	2,684.9	236.3	2,787.4	214.0
Arches NP	294.8	39.4	313.4	41.9	326.9	44.9	269.8	42.5
Badlands NP 8/	1,210.0	44.0	1,305.4	49.5	1,234.9	42.7	858.0	11.7
Big Bend NP	378.6	248.6	334.0	235.1	301.2	221.7	282.9	199.0
Bryce Canyon NP	625.6	64.0	611.5	138.3	679.3	134.7	558.1	132.1
Canyonlands NP	80.0	57.5	75.5	47.2	85.9	55.1	74.5	54.6
Capitol Reef NP	425.1	30.5	428.8	32.3	392.4	33.4	288.9	31.6
Carlsbad Caverns NP	876.5	2.6	862.8	2.9	867.3	2.5	721.6	1.6
Crater Lake NP	532.7	70.7	558.3	78.9	553.4	62.8	410.7	63.8
Everglades NP	955.7	178.2	948.0	189.4	923.7	176.4	718.1	165.9
Glacier NP	1,661.2	392.8	1,654.5	461.8	1,582.6	391.9	1,446.1	345.5
Grand Canyon NP	2,791.6	1,024.6	2,627.2	1,027.8	2,748.6	985.0	2,131.7	742.1
Grand Teton NP	2,834.7	607.6	3,258.0	605.5	3,160.0	555.5	2,446.2	532.3
Great Smoky Mountains NP	8,991.5	626.1	9,173.6	576.5	8,695.5	587.8	8,019.8	546.0
Guadalupe Mountains NP	81.4	13.2	92.2	15.2	108.8	17.5	110.5	19.9
Haleakala NP	650.3	25.4	626.5	25.9	712.8	24.0	674.0	22.0
Hawaii Volcanoes NP	1,430.5	96.4	1,446.2	92.9	1,728.3	93.5	1,632.6	80.8
Hot Springs NP	1,117.9	25.4	1,127.0	21.9	1,229.2	10.9	1,118.8	9.0
Isle Royale NP	17.0	66.0	16.7	72.6	16.4	67.5	14.8	64.0
Kings Canyon NP	1,127.9	315.1	1,041.0	240.5	864.7	254.6	804.2	287.5
Lassen Volcanic NP	461.4	110.4	381.2	92.2	442.2	101.2	380.0	91.1
Mammoth Cave NP	1,748.9	153.7	1,806.3	128.8	1,640.7	106.9	1,384.9	89.1
Mesa Verde NP	675.1	225.9	663.7	224.1	653.1	217.6	473.7	155.0
Mount McKinley NP	157.6	146.4	183.2	134.6	223.0	147.4	251.1	146.0
Mount Rainier NP	1,414.5	151.4	1,819.6	154.4	1,607.0	143.2	1,516.7	127.6

TABLE 7. VISITS AND OVERNIGHT STAYS (IN THOUSANDS) (CONTINUED)

	1976		1977		1978		1979	
	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS
North Cascades NP 2/	765.6	126.0	682.3	97.9	917.6	130.3	743.0	123.2
Olympic NP	2,327.4	500.5	2,293.9	536.0	2,534.7	465.9	2,078.8	401.5
Petrified Forest NP	1,066.2	0.3	857.3	0.3	951.4	0.5	671.6	0.6
Redwood NP	421.7	8.4	477.9	9.6	448.0	8.6	413.9	8.7
Rocky Mountain NP	2,727.9	308.1	2,895.0	333.3	3,024.9	319.8	2,568.5	376.5
Sequoia NP	1,040.6	449.4	978.2	357.7	973.1	344.7	799.6	371.1
Shenandoah NP 4/	2,448.6	593.3	2,789.1	590.9	2,002,2	545.4	1,521.5	434.8
Theodore Roosevelt NP 8/	937.6	39.2	831.5	42.7	833.3	43.8	591.6	32.0
Virgin Islands NP	182.6	101.3	289.1	111.6	481.7	138.2	549.7	136.3
Voyageurs NP	121.2	15.4	140.3	21.4	255.4	31.0	195.3	68.0
Wind Cave NP	458.1	17.3	432.7	14.3	539.1	15.3	457.4	11.6
Yellowstone NP	2,519.2	1,506.7	2,481.9	1,472.6	2,618.4	1,486.1	1,892.9	1,274.4
Yosemite NP	2,682.4	1,809.2	2,392.6	1,769.5	2,569.3	1,800.7	2,350.8	1,509.7
Zion NP	1,090.0	230.6	1,105.9	252.5	1,193.2	267.3	1,040.5	226.5
TOTALS	51,683.0	10,515.2	52,823.9	10,540.1	52,825.1	10,312.6	45,250.5	9,149.4

TABLE 8. RECREATION VISITS, ACREAGE, AREAS ADMINISTERED AND AREAS REPORTING VISITS IN THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM BY CLASSIFICATION

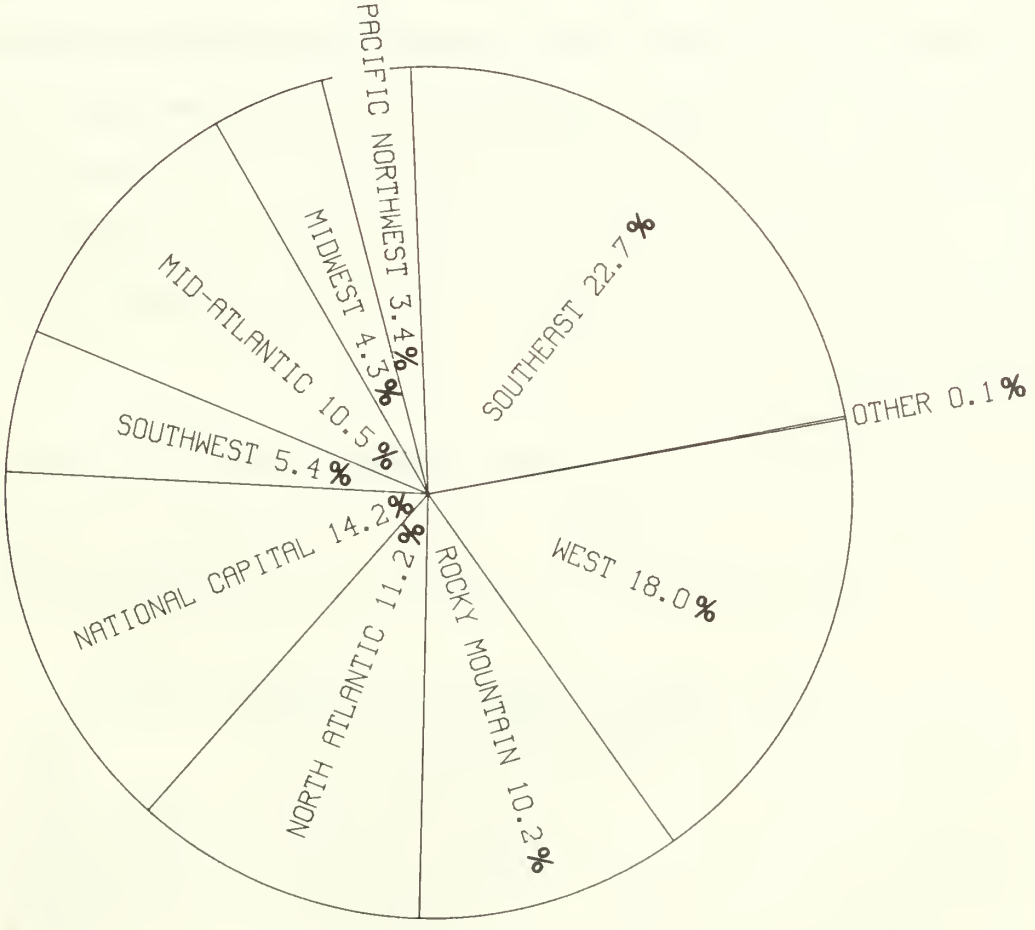
CLASSIFICATION	RECREATION VISITS	ACREAGE[1]	AREAS ADMINISTERED	AREAS REPORTING VISITS
National Battlefields	1,327,776	10,514.40	9	8
National Battlefield Parks	1,920,589	6,685.18	3	3
National Battlefield Sites	1,903	12.36	1	1
National Historic Sites	9,040,531	17,958.97	59	47
National Historical Parks	20,735,021	104,588.04	22	19
National Lakeshores	2,685,634	196,406.30	4	4
National Memorials	9,931,001	8,245.66	22	19
National Military Parks	4,705,381	34,730.12	11	11
National Monuments	8,214,251	54,615,320.54	92	77
National Parks	45,250,345	16,039,704.71	39	39
National Parkways	27,209,546	160,854.45	4	4
National Preserves	--	654,550.00	2	--
National Recreation Areas	38,059,932	3,661,664.79	17	13
National Seashores	13,753,874	598,089.29	10	10
National Rivers (include Wild and Scenic Rivers and Riverways)	2,520,549	525,443.33	10	3
National Scenic Trails	--	52,034.25	1	--
National Capital Parks	2,810,962	6,468.82	1	1
National Mall	--	146.35	1	--
National Visitor Center	281,883	0.00[2]	1	1
Parks - Other	8,185,884	32,019.48	10	10
White House	1,313,017	18.07	1	1
TOTALS	205,369,795	76,725,455.11	320	271
Affiliated areas, not part of the system			23	

1. Acreage as of December 31, 1979
2. Counted in National Capital Parks

TABLE 9. RECREATION VISITS BY REGION

	1977	1978	1979
Mid-Atlantic	20,124,435	23,275,799	21,603,869
Midwest	8,647,252	8,783,570	8,857,493
North Atlantic	23,625,961	24,085,979	22,954,989
Pacific Northwest	7,589,251	7,735,468	7,069,067
Rocky Mountain	26,322,230	26,482,782	20,900,056
Southwest	11,369,517	11,367,231	11,095,451
Southeast	49,794,987	50,991,525	46,688,184
Western	33,751,164	37,620,168	36,979,263
National Capital	29,344,915	31,189,698	29,221,423
TOTALS	210,569,712	222,184,026	205,369,795

FIGURE 7. PERCENT OF RECREATION VISITS BY REGION 1979



1979 RECREATION VISITS

METHODS

Information reported here is collected monthly by all units reporting visits of the National Park Service, United States Department of Interior. This information results from a variety of methods ranging from visual counts to electromagnetic traffic counters. In each unit of the aprk system, the method of learning about public use is selected to preserve a balance between cost effectiveness and concern for the best accuracy possible. Many problems complicate the counting effort such as "open" parks which have multiple, random access points. Irregular park boundaries and boundaries which include residencies or even small population centers make it difficult to actually count visits. In such cases, local estimates are designed to adjust for the circumstances. Estimates of other types are also reported here. The reports of "recreational" use and visitor hours are derived from a variety of estimates. Visitor surveys are periodically conducted to establish the basis of estimating as well as to change the estimates as the patterns of travel and public use are changing.

The statistical data reported here are constantly subject to study, verification, correction, and improvement. Overall, the guidelines for National Park Service statistical policy and standards are derived from the following:

> "Many parks have unique and complicated patterns of public use not to mention physical conditions which make complete and accurate counting difficult and costly....
>
> It should be kept in mind that partial counts are beter than none at all. If it is not possible to measure or estimate total public use, a partial counting system will be used where it is feasible to conduct a limited effort which is believed to create conservative figures.

> There may be occasions when it is unclear if an activity should be counted as a visit to be entered on the Monthly Public Use Report. The following underlying principle will apply: The purpose of collecting these statistics is to measure the impact of public use on the park and it's resources. Any use which requires the application of public funds or manpower of the National Park Service for its support is a reportable use."
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> -Reports Management Handbook, NPS AM-5

In this context, the National Park Service attempts to serve the many interests in the vitality of outdoor recreation travel in America. We believe these data to be among the very best indicators of their kind. The data reported here are suitable for most general purposes and are comparable over time. (Users should always pay special attention to footnotes when making comparisons over time.) For work needing greater detail a more intensive Public Use Monitoring Program is available at many larger areas.

DEFINITIONS

VISITOR. Any person, except Service personnel, who enters the lands or waters administered by the National Park Service.

SERVICE PERSONNEL. (a) employees of the Service who are assigned to the park or are visiting the park in connection with their duty assignments; (b) NPS contractors, concessioners, cooperating associations; (c) the households of Service employees resident in the parks. All such "Service personnel" are not reportable as public use.

VISIT. The entry of any person, except Service personnel, onto lands or waters administered by the National Park Service. A visitor may enter several parks during a trip and generate a "visit" for each entry (multiple visitation). A visitor may enter a single park several times during a reporting period and generate a visit for each entry (repeat visitation). Visits may occur as recreation visits or nonrecreation visits.

RECREATION VISIT. The entry of any person, except Service personnel, onto lands or waters administered by the National Park Service for recreation purposes.

NONRECREATION VISITS. Reportable nonrecreation visits include: (a) commuters, inholders, and other through traffic (except Service personnel) using Service-administered roads or waterways through a park for their convenience; (b) any tradesmen servicing facilities within or making deliveries to destinations within a park or inholding; (c) employees of any other Federal, State or local agency on business in the park.

Nonreportable nonrecreation visits are entries by the Service's vehicles and trips to or from work assignments or residences in the park by Service personnel; everybody else using Service-administered roads, waters, etc., is either a recreation or a nonrecreation visitor, unless a negligible transit occurs as defined below.

NEGLIGIBLE TRANSIT. A brief, incidental entry into a park by through traffic (pedestrian or vehicular) which uses Service-administered roads or walkways.

VISITOR-HOUR. The presence of one or more persons (excluding Service personnel) in a park for continous, intermittent or simultaneous periods of time aggregating one hour (e.g., one person for one hour, two persons for one-half hour, n persons for 1/n hours).

OVERNIGHT STAY. The passing of one night within a park by a visitor. This excludes non-Service territory, (i.e., inholdings) and non-visitors (i.e., persons making only nonreportable visits, whether engaged in recreation or nonrecreation); but it includes use of concessioner facilities by all except Service personnel.

TENTS. Camping in tents erected on a campsite or attached to a car or station wagon, but excluding tent trailers; also includes sleeping on the ground in cars or in trucks without camper bodies.

RECREATION VEHICLES. Any enclosed vehicle used for camping which is more elaborate than a simple truck or car, such as pickup trucks with camper bodies, pop-up tent trailers, travel trailers, buses, coaches, mobile homes, etc.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE. An agency of the Department of Interior which administers more than two dozen types of federal land use classifications. The National Park Service does not administer National Forests (United States Department of Agriculture/Forest Service), Wildlife Refuges (United States Department of Interior/Fish and Wildlife Service), or a variety of other federal lands used for outdoor recreation.

CLASSIFICATION. The differences in the classifications are generally reflected in the titles listed below. A detailed description of each classification may be found in the publicaition, Index, National Park System and Related Areas, 1979.

National Battlefields	(NB)	National Parkways	
National Battlefield Parks	(NBP)	National Preserves	
National Battlefield Sites	(NBS)	National Recreation Areas	(NRA)
National Historic Sites	(NHS)	National Rivers	(NR)
National Historical Parks	(NHP)	National Scenic Trails	(NST)
National Lakeshores	(NL)	National Seashores	(NS)
National Memorials	(NMEM)	National Capital Parks	(NCP)
National Memorial Parks	(NMEMP)	National Mall	
National Military Parks	(NMP)	National Visitor Center	
National Monuments	(NM)	Parks - Other	
National Parks	(NP)	White House	

REGIONS. National Park Service Regions include the following states:

Mid-Atlantic - DE MD PA VA WV

Midwest - IA IL IN KS MI MN MO NE OH WI

National Capital Parks - DC

North Atlantic - CT MA ME NH NJ NY RI VT

Pacific Northwest - AK ID OR WA

Rocky Mountain - Part of AZ CO MT ND SD UT WY

Southeast - AL FL GA KY MS NC PR SC TN VI

Southwest - AR Part of AZ LA NM OK TX

Western - AZ CA HI NV

MISCELLANEOUS ABBREVIATIONS

BPL	Birthplace Abraham Linclon BPL NHS Theodore Roosevelt BPL NHS
C & O	Chesapeake and Ohio C & O Canal NHP
Chick Chatt	Chickamauga and Chattanooga Chick Chatt NMP
Fred Spot	Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania Fred Spot County Battlefields Mem NMP
HS	Historic Shrine Fort McHenry NM & HS
IPM	International Peace Memorial Perry's Victory & IPM
J.D.	John D. listed as, J.D. Rockefeller Pkwy. full name, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway
JFK Ctr, Perf	John Fitzgerald Kennedy Center JFK Ctr for the Performing Arts
NEM	National Expansion Memorial Jefferson NEM NHS
OTG	of the Gunnison Black Canyon OTG NM

FOOTNOTES

* Less than 50 visits or overnight stays

1. The following areas' first data series started later than January 1978. Cuyahoga Valley NRA (January 1978), Valley Forge NHP (January 1978), Lowell NHP (January 1979), Roger Williams NM (January 1979), Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS (January 1979), Fort Scott NHS (June 1979), Klondike Gold Rush - Seattle, (July 1979).

2. Data for North Cascades NP, Ross Lake NRA and Lake Chelan NRA are shown combined; no breakdown available.

3. Areas formerly included in National Capital Parks are now listed as separate units of the National Park System.

4. The 1979 Visits figures for these areas are not strictly comparable to the 1978 figures, due to changes in the counting procedures.

5. Nonrecreation visits and overnight stays reflect use by persons occupying dwellings owned by the NPS but leased back to occupants.

6. City of Refuge NHP changed to Pu'uhonua o Honaunau NHP, October 1, 1978.

7. Shadow Mountain NRA no longer administered by the National Park Service.

8. Theodore Roosevelt NMemP and Badlands NM redesignated National Parks, and Chalmette NHP redesignated Jean Lafitte NHP and Preserve, November, 1978.

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